

RENTON CITY COUNCIL
Special Meeting

December 21, 2001
Friday, 12:00 noon

Council Chambers
Renton City Hall

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Jesse Tanner led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag and called the meeting of the Renton City Council to order.

**ROLL CALL OF
COUNCILMEMBERS**

DAN CLAWSON, Council President; TONI NELSON; DON PERSSON;
KING PARKER; TERRI BRIERE; KATHY KEOLKER-WHEELER.

MOVED BY PERSSON, SECONDED BY CLAWSON, COUNCIL EXCUSE
ABSENT COUNCILMEMBER RANDY CORMAN. CARRIED.

**CITY STAFF IN
ATTENDANCE**

JESSE TANNER, Mayor; JAY COVINGTON, Chief Administrative Officer;
LAWRENCE J. WARREN, City Attorney; MARILYN PETERSEN, City
Clerk; ELIZABETH HIGGINS, Senior Planner; ALEX PIETSCH, Economic
Development Director; DEREK TODD, Assistant to the CAO.

APPEAL
Planning & Development
Committee

Appeal: St. Claire, Karen
Dobson (PP-01-055)

Planning and Development Committee Chair Keolker-Wheeler presented a report regarding the appeal of the St. Claire rezone and preliminary plat application; 10.3 acres located in north Renton between Lincoln Ave. NE and Aberdeen Ave. NE, and between NE 31st St. and NE 33rd Pl. (PP-01-055). The Committee recommended that the Council affirm the Hearing Examiner's decision and recommendation in this appeal with the following modifications.

Findings of Fact 38, Subsections A through C, page 10 of the Hearing Examiner's decision dated October 4, 2001, should be amended to read:

- A. The applicant shall submit to the City for review and approval, prior to clearing and grading, an easement, which shall be subsequently recorded, granted to the homeowner's association to maintain the ten-foot wide no clearing or grading area. In its conditions, reservations and restrictions the homeowner's association shall be responsible for establishing assessments, sufficient to pay for such maintenance, above its other monetary obligations. Native vegetation may be removed and replaced within the ten-foot strip by soil stabilizing plants, subject, however, to the approval of the City. The applicant shall also submit to the City for review and approval and subsequent recordation, a restrictive covenant permitting no construction, within the ten-foot area, of structures such as fences or sheds, without prior written approval of the City.
- B. Deleted.
- C. Shall have added: By City Code, construction is prohibited on Sunday. Construction is permitted on Saturday only by prior approval of the City including the provision of on-call inspectors. This requirement is particularly important to land clearing, grading and tree removal.

Finding 40 on page 10 of the Hearing Examiner's decision of October 4, 2001, should be corrected to state that sidewalks will be included in the right-of-way. Such things as franchise utilities may be included in easement in the front yards of lots.*

Councilwoman Keolker-Wheeler expressed concern that the report did not contain adequate language indicating that the applicant is required to inform the

City on days that they are going to be conducting the tree removal and grading activities. In response, City Attorney Larry Warren stated that there are requirements in the Hearing Examiner's report and recommendation that the trees be pre-marked and that a fence line would be established.

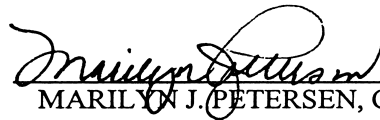
Councilwoman Briere pointed out that the City already requires that inspectors be contacted before that type of work is undertaken. Mr. Warren confirmed that the City must be informed prior the removal of any trees.

Responding to Council President Clawson's inquiry regarding the availability on on-call inspectors on Saturdays, Chief Administrative Officer Jay Covington stated that there is a procedure in place whereby contractors call ahead and request an inspector.

*MOVED BY KEOLKER-WHEELER, SECONDED BY BRIERE, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED BY PARKER, SECONDED BY PERSSON, COUNCIL ADJOURN. CARRIED. Time: 12:15 p.m.



MARILYN J. PETERSEN, CMC, City Clerk